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Recycling Update - At Village Court Shopping Center



Public Works officials have been informed that the property management company for the Village Court Shopping Center has decided to work with the City find a suitable compromise for the bins to stay at Village Court. According to Public Works Director Gaynelle Hart, City officials will be meeting with DLC Management in the next several weeks.

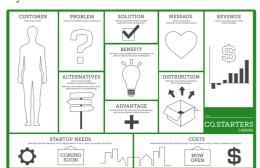
"It is our hope that we can come to a suitable arrangement that will allow us to keep the bins in the shopping center", said Hart.

In addition to the recycling bins located at Village Court Shopping Center residents may also use one of the City's other drop off recycling sites including Linkhorne Road (behind Comcast Service Center), Lakeside Drive (at Alleghany Avenue), Grace Street (behind Fire Station #2), Kroger (at the corner of Timberlake Road and Old Graves Mill Road) or at the Residential Convenience Center located at 2704 Concord Turnpike.

CO.STARTERS - For Entrepeneurs

If you're an aspiring entrepreneur, or a seasoned entrepreneur looking to launch a new product or service, CO.STARTERS is for you. CO.STARTERS is led by a facilitator who is an experienced, local entrepreneur. During CO.STARTERS, you'll develop and fine-tune your idea, critically examining every part of it. You will identify your assumptions about why and how your businesses will work and then talk to customers in order to validate your ideas.

This approach enables you to rapidly uncover flaws in your concept and find viable models more quickly. You'll leave the program with a deeper understanding of how to create a sustainable business, articulate your model, and repeat the process with your next great idea.



The tuition for CO.STARTERS is \$195. Participants may pay week to week or in one lump sum. Flexible payment plans can also be arranged. Tuition includes one on one support from a seasoned entrepreneur, 9 weeks of classroom instruction and service hours from a law firm, a graphic designer and a web developer. Applications are available at www.opportunitylynchburg.com and are due March 1, 2016. For more information, call the Office of Economic Development at (434) 455-4490.

LTV-15 - Watch Your Local Government Channel

Stay connected with the City of Lynchburg by watching LTV, (Comcast Channel 15) the City's government channel. The station airs a variety of programs including City Council and Planning Commission meetings as well as programs about the people and places in the community. You can view a public meeting in its entirety and see firsthand how concerns and decisions are addressed. You can also learn about the citizens, new businesses, arts and culture, history, rediscovered treasurers and more—everything that defines Lynchburg!

LTV also has a monthly magazine show. Each month, *Lynchburg 360* showcases stories about the latest trends, lifestyles, new construction, health and wellness, nearby getaways and more. In addition, the exclusive docu-series, *Music Matters: The Roots and Rhythms of Lynchburg*, is currently airing in two parts. Learn about Lynchburg's rich musical heritage and some of the pioneers of modern music who lived here in Central Virginia!

If you don't have Comcast or prefer to watch shows on the Internet, visit lynchburgva.gov/ltv (just click on "Watch LTV Live"). There, you can also find archived videos to view. LTV can also be found on Youtube at youtube.com/LynchburgVAtv.

 $Stay\ connected\ with\ your\ community-Stay\ connected\ with\ LTV!$



Get critical information about emergencies and other important community news by signing up for Lynchburg Alerts. This system enables us to provide you with critical information quickly in a variety of situations, such as severe weather, unexpected road closures, missing persons, and evacuations of buildings or neighborhoods.

Receive time-sensitive messages by home, mobile or business phones, email, text messages and more. Remember: If We Can't Reach you... We Can't Alert You!

Winter is Here! - Are You Ready?

Cold temperatures, black ice and snow are common during Lynchburg winters. Helpful checklists for winter preparedness can be found at ReadyVirginia.gov. Stay informed on the latest road conditions at 511virginia.org. Be sure to check on your neighbors, especially the elderly, and please bring pets indoors out of the cold.



State of the City Address

On Monday, February 22, Mayor Michael Gillette and Vice Mayor Ceasor Johnson will deliver the 2016 State of the City Address at 7:00 p.m. in City Council Chamber, City Hall, 900 Church Street.

This annual community event will focus on celebrating the accomplishments of the previous year as well as the challenges that lie ahead.



The Mayor and Vice Mayor will also recognize citizens who have made significant contributions in service to the community. This year's recipients are:

Tracy Baker

Don & Frances Giles

Jack Edma

Phillip Gabathuler

Shaun Spencer Hester Hylan "Hank" Hubbard Thomas Webb

Lynchburg Citizens Academy

Accepting Applications



The City of Lynchburg is accepting applications for its 13th Annual Lynchburg Citizens Academy. The deadline for registration is Friday, February 19, and space is limited. The Academy begins on Thursday, March 3.

Citizens Academy is a free interactive program of 12 sessions that provides an opportunity for residents to learn about City government through first-hand experience and

issues. The two and a half hour sessions are held on consecutive Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.

gain exposure to the wide range of government functions, services, activities and

Register online at www.lynchburgva.gov/citizensacademy. For more information, call the Communications & Marketing Dept. at 455-3800.

Loose Leaf Collection - Ends January 25

Loose leaf collection ends Monday, January 25 for all Wards. Please rake leaves curbside but do not place in street. Leaf piles should be free of sticks, rocks and pine cones. City crews will vacuum leaves as promptly as possible. There is no charge for this service and no phone call is necessary.



Please Note: Bagged leaves may be placed at curbside for pick up during regular trash collection; however, you must use a prepaid City of Lynchburg Blue Bag.



Quilts & Textiles Exhibit - Lynchburg Museum

Now and continuing through December 31, the Lynchburg Museum will display 20 quilts made between 1802 and 2010 along with samplers, needlepoint, and related items. The pieces come from the Lynchburg Museum collection, local lenders, and other museums including the Quilt Museum of Virginia, Amherst County Museum, and Bedford Museum.

Early settlers in Central Virginia brought quilt making talents and designs from Europe. Primarily serving a functional purpose, quilt-making was also an expression of artistry and skill. The quilting bee became an important social activity for women of all ages as they worked together. It allowed them to share stories of life, death, marriage, and childrearing while teaching essential skills to girls. Samplers were also a teaching tool for young women.

By the mid-nineteenth century, quilts became intricate works of art as well as functional pieces. Quilting remained a popular social activity through the early twentieth century, especially in rural communities. Quilts continued to be given as wedding gifts, on the birth of a child, and as a thank you. With the Great Depression in the 1930s, families returned to quilting as a way to save money. After declining in the 1950s and 1960s, quilting again gained popularity during the American Bicentennial of 1976. Today, quilts are made for functional purposes, as works of art, and in support of a variety of causes.

The Lynchburg Museum is open from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday and from 12 noon - 4:00 p.m. on Sundays.

Save the Date - April 30, 2016

Lynchburg International Fair ~ April 30, 2016 ~ 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Downtown Bluffwalk ~ Exhibitors, International Food, Entertainment and more!